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Application Number	10/034,978
Filing Date	December 28, 2001
First Named Inventor	Jeffrey B. Hundley
Art Unit	3637
Examiner Name	John P. Fitzgerald
Attorney Docket Number	1381-011312

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

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b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☒ Other Petition for Two-month Extension of Time

2. ☐ Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

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i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Checks in the amount of \$385.00 enclosed for the RCE filing fee; and \$210.00 for the Extension of Time fee.

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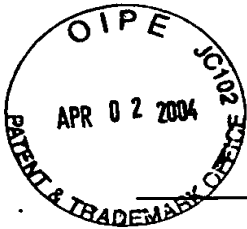
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Application No.: 10/034,978 Filing Date: December 28, 2001
Examiner: John P. Fitzgerald Group Art Unit: 3637
Invention: "Bracket for a Structural Panel and a Structural Panel Made with Such a Bracket"

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small Entity Status is/has been asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.
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